

ORIGINAL CELTICS RESIGN FROM "MET" BASKETBALL LEAGUE

SEVERAL REASONS GIVEN FOR CHAMPIONS' ACTION

In the Future Famous Five Will Confine Its Efforts to Playing in Garden, Its First Opponent Being Camden of Eastern League on Sunday Night.

THE champion Original Celtics will sever their relations with the Metropolitan Basketball League at a meeting of that association to-morrow night. This was made known to-day in an interview with the management of the Shamrock Ave. A rumor that the Celtics would join the Eastern League was denied.

In the future the Celtics will meet the leading teams of the country in games at Madison Square Garden. The first contest will be played this Sunday night against Camden of the Eastern League. The latter organization gave the champions a hard fight in several contests staged last season and for the first time this season it is expected the Celtics will be extended.

According to the management of the championship game, there are several reasons why the Celtics have decided upon such a course of action. Primarily, the teams which constitute the Metropolitan League are not of championship calibre. The Shamrocks have defeated every team they have played this season without any difficulty and basketball fans of this city who attend the games in which the Celtics participate are quite confident that the champions will gain victory before the first whistle is blown. The fact, of course, eliminates all of the reasons for attending a basketball game. Fans are anxious to witness a contest, the result of which is unknown until the game is over. Without appreciable competition a contest is prosaic and not worth seeing.

The courts of home teams in the Metropolitan League, except the champions, are usually too small for the crowd of fans who want to see the Celtics play. Incidentally, there is much difficulty in playing a good game with a crowd of fans right next to the side lines, as was the case in Prospect Hall recently, when Vindicator and Celtics met. At that contest the hall was filled to capacity and the floor upon which the teams played

was crowded more than it should have been to warrant demonstrations of good playing by the quintets.

The manager of the Original Celtics asserts that his action in dropping out of the league is necessary for the good of the game itself and for the good of his team. Basketball fans have seen that the Metropolitan League teams cannot measure up to the title holders and for that reason the Celtics are anxious to prove to every one that they are the real champions by tackling the strongest teams in the country. The Celtics intend to book all of the foremost quintets which have reasonable demands for a chance at the title. The Buffalo Leaguers, who have defeated most of the best teams in New York State, the Detroit Royals, Omars of Lake Michigan, Camden, Trenton and several other Class A quintets will be seen against the Celtics at Madison Square Garden.

Under the circumstances the action of the Celtics is the only sportsmanlike one they could take. To remain in the Metropolitan League, in which they have virtually clinched the pennant already, would be unfair to basketball fans who want competition. Arguments along with doubtless arise which may tend toward criticism of the Celtic team for its action. But the real fans of the game will understand the necessity for the change.

Probably the franchise which the Celtics now hold in the Metropolitan League will be transferred to the Yonkers team, which made an attempt at entering the league a few weeks ago.

ARMORIES CLOSED TO "PRO." BOXING, INDICATION NOW

The Republic A. C. action against the Boxing Commission to compel the latter to show cause why the license of the fight club shall not be transferred from the Folsom grounds to the 1923 Engineers Armory came up for hearing before Justice John V. McAvoy of the Supreme Court yesterday and was postponed for hearing until next Tuesday. However, apparently there is little chance of a decision in favor of the Republic A. C. and the opening of a new armory for boxing is under the auspices of outside promoters.

D. K. E. AGAIN WINNER IN SQUASH TOURNAMENT

The D. K. E. Club's squash tennis team furnished the main surprise yesterday afternoon for the Class B year championship of the Metropolitan Squash Tennis League by defeating the Columbia Club on the latter's courts, six matches to one.

VILLA NOW FAVORITE OVER ABE GOLDSTEIN

Pancho Villa and Elmo Flores will have to the Garden gym to-day and go through their paces. Pancho has been Goldstein in the main event of fifteen scheduled bouts and Elmo Flores will be put to the test in a six round bout.

STANFORD OF CANADA

HAMILTON, N. Y., Nov. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Stanford of Canada, who has been making a name for himself in the world of professional boxing, is expected to arrive in New York to-day for a fight with a local champion.

WHITE CHAMPION STEER BUSTER

The rodeo at Madison Square Garden is over and Dave White stands out as the world's champion bronco and steer buster.

White went through the stormy session with wild brutes without being tossed off once. Yakima Canutt went down with White and took until Monday afternoon, when he was tossed forty ways for Shiloh by a nice little white thing named Love's Dream.

John M. O'Connor and his attorney were confident of victory and their confidence was well based, as both military laws and the laws on boxing and wrestling in this State seemed to favor the Republic A. C. when it came to a legal showdown.

SAYS RACE WAS "FIXED," SUES FOR \$5,000

BALTIMORE, Nov. 15.—James Butwell, well-known jockey, Clarence and "Happy" Huxton, race horse owner, and rider, who have been made defendants in a suit for \$5,000 instituted in the City Court by M. Lee Cohen, are charged by Cohen with having conspired to "throw" a race in Toronto two years ago.

During a race meeting in Toronto Butwell was engaged to ride Nello, owned by James Dunn, a prominent turfman. In the same race "Happy" Huxton rode Frank Waters, owned by Clarence Huxton, Cohen said. Dunn bet \$2,000 on his horse, and Guss "Barnes," who made all riding engagements for Butwell, bet \$300 on the horses. Frank Waters won the race.

HUGER DECLARED INELIGIBLE

HAMILTON, N. Y., Nov. 15.—Arthur Huger, who resigned as captain of the College University track team after he had been charged with professionalism, will be ineligible for track athletics at "Yale," it was announced by William A. Reed, graduate manager of athletics.

Barriers to Ride Over Course. HAMILTON, N. Y., Nov. 15.—The track race at the Garden was arranged for a season's run with Alfred Trilovs, city Friday afternoon, at Alfred, N. Y. The team of seven men will leave Lehigh Thursday afternoon and ride over the route Friday morning, as is to be familiar with the route.

Two of Original Celtics Leading Basketball Players



Phillips of Paulist A. C. to Run For National Cross-Country Title

Star Athlete Will Have Fager of Finnish-American Club as Rival

By Joseph Gordon.

JOHN PHILLIPS, star long distance runner of the Paulist Athletic Club, who defeated Jack Johnston in the Canadian championships in the 100-yard dash, novice, 1,000-yard handicap run, 880-yard run, novice, 220-yard run, handicap, two-mile walk, handicap, putting the twelve-pound shot, handicap, and the one-mile relay race. The games will be held at the 224 Regiment Armory, Saturday evening.

As an added attraction for its annual games, the New York Calanderian Club will have a one-mile relay race, handicap, four-men teams, each runner to make 440 yards. Entries for these games have attracted the largest entry of any event this season, more than 400 athletes sending in their names. Among the features will be the 100-yard dash, novice, 1,000-yard handicap run, 880-yard run, novice, 220-yard run, handicap, two-mile walk, handicap, putting the twelve-pound shot, handicap, and the one-mile relay race.

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PROFESSIONAL GOLFERS DISAGREE WITH U. S. G. A.

Members of the professional golf fraternity are "up in arms" over the recent warning sent out by the Executive Committee of the United States Golf Association deriding the modern tendency of member clubs and sectional associations in offering what was termed "unusually large purses" for the purpose of inducing pros to compete in open tournaments and exhibitions.

The pros claim that in proportion to the skill required and the time necessary to acquire it their return is less than that of experts in other lines of professional sport. They also claim that even the largest prize awards held out by clubs are insufficient, calling attention to the fact that most of the pros are forced to defray their own expenses while attending tournaments and that, in the majority of cases, the prize money, even of those finishing well up in the list, is insufficient to cover their expenses.

BAKER OFFERS BEZDEK BIG SALARY, IS REPORT

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 15.—William F. Baker, President of the Phillies, has offered Hugo Bezdek a salary which is in excess of the salary paid any other National League manager, with the exception of John J. McGraw. It was learned yesterday, and Bezdek will probably put his signature to the contract which he makes for the Philadelphia Phillies.

F. S. F. A. Cup Tie Drawings.

Pairings for sixteen matches in the third round of the national challenge cup competition were made yesterday by the Cup Committee of the United States Football Association. New York, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania and Connecticut will fight eight matches remaining in the competition, which is now in progress. The drawing between the New York and Brooklyn football clubs together with New York as the home team. The third round must be played on or before Nov. 25. The local pairings are: New York, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania and Connecticut—Paterson vs. American A. A. F. C.; Fairfield F. C. vs. Bethlehem, New York vs. Brooklyn, and Hartford Rovers vs. Hispano F. C.

Farrell Has Low Round in Pinehurst Golf

PINEHURST, N. C., Nov. 15.—Willie Hunter, 1921 British amateur champion, and Wilfred Reid, professional at the Indian Springs Club of Washington, were defeated at Pinehurst yesterday, 3 and 1, by Chris Dunphy and Leo Diegel.

John Kochansky of the Jersey Harriers, who defeated Jack Johnston in the Canadian championships in the 100-yard dash, novice, 1,000-yard handicap run, 880-yard run, novice, 220-yard run, handicap, two-mile walk, handicap, putting the twelve-pound shot, handicap, and the one-mile relay race. The games will be held at the 224 Regiment Armory, Saturday evening.

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Fistic News BY JOHN POLLOCK and Gossip

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Joe Woodman, manager of Freddie Jacks, the Brooklyn boxer, received a telegram from Sydney, Australia, today informing him that his first opponent in the fight for the Australian title, the clever Italian welterweight to meet Reddy Barron, the Brooklyn welterweight in the first round of the fight. There will be a ten round bout between heavyweights which Buckley expects to arrange to fight.

Sammy Goldman, the new manager of Willie Jackson, says he has Jackson booked up for the following fights: His first will be against Frankie Smith for ten rounds at Fall River, Mass., on Friday night; his second will be against "Paddy" O'Connell for ten rounds at the Olympia, A. A. C., on Monday night, and his third will be against Billy Brannan for ten rounds at the Olympia, A. A. C., on Nov. 27.

It is now settled when Champion Joe Egan will start for the West, where he is booked up for three or four fights. He will start for the West on his way to the big fight for ten rounds at the Victoria Theatre for ten rounds at the Victoria Theatre on Nov. 22, and his second will be against Billy Brannan for ten rounds at the Victoria Theatre on Nov. 27.

Lafayette Captain to See First Game as Spectator.

EASTON, Pa., Nov. 15.—Frank "Dutch" Schwab, captain of the Lafayette football eleven and unanimous choice for American guard last season, will see his first college football game from a spectator's viewpoint Saturday when Yale meets Princeton at the Palmer Stadium.

Schwab has taken part in every one of Lafayette's football games since he entered college in 1919. Lafayette will see his first college game as a spectator.

Columbia Juniors Elect Football Captain.

MURRAY, N. Y., Nov. 15.—The Columbia University football team, which will meet the Sophomores to-morrow in the first of the "Three Games" to be played this fall, has elected Captain of the Trinity College football team for the season of 1923, by the members of the varsity squad. He has played quarterback for the past two seasons.

John McGraw Replies to Ban Johnson's Criticism of Purchase of Bentley

Giants' Leader Says That Although Optional Draft System Is a Costly One for Majors, They Are Honorably Bound to Agreement and That All Clubs Have Same Chance to Buy Minor League Stars.

By Bozeman Bulger.

JOHN MCGRAW doesn't like the criticism—and rightly so—over his paying \$72,500 for Jack Bentley and sending three players to Baltimore. Ban Johnson has said that the Giants are really selling these players into bondage; that they can never get away from Baltimore except by the whim of Jack Dunn.

"The major league clubs made an agreement with the minors to make the draft system optional," says McGraw. "If it was a bad bargain that does not lessen our duty to live up to it. We've got to take our medicine. The only thing I can act on is the government of baseball as it stands. I've got to make my ball club as good as I possibly can. The New York public demands it and the fans are entitled to it. I don't want to pay such big prices any more than anybody else does. But, I ask, how else am I to get the players that will keep the Giants a great ball club?"

"Other clubs have dealt with the International League, the American Association and the Pacific Coast League just as I have. There is no trick about it. To get what we want we've got to pay the price. That's what I have done. Price or any other honorable consideration will not stand in the way of me giving the Giants just as good a ball club as I can. Other managers probably think the same and act the same. The difference is that clubs out of New York are not so severely criticized or held up to ridicule as ultra rich."

"Every club in both leagues had the same chance at Bentley that I did," concluded McGraw. "But the Giants got him. We will have a better ball club next season than we had last. Of course there is always a danger of a star falling down. Bentley might not turn out as we expect. Jim O'Connell also might not come through. You never can tell. He's got to fight both Bengel and Cunningham for the job. I have an idea, though, that he will start as the Giant centerfielder next spring. I may use Bentley as a fielder or as a pitcher. That cannot be determined until next spring when the training season shows me just what I've got."

And now we have a clue as to the big bomb that Ban Johnson has promised to throw into the ranks of organized baseball at the December meetings.

According to mighty god authority, backed up by the Western papers, Ban will have a showdown as to who is the biggest man in baseball—Ban or Judge Landis. If he goes too far Ban may show something that he does not count on. The bomb in question, we understand, is the proposed secession of the American League from the agreement which permitted the minor leagues to escape the draft. Ban will insist on a restoration of the draft next month. If the minor leagues do not agree, according to our information, Ban wants to put them out of the pale. In other words, he is said to be in favor of reprisals. No players will be sold to or bought from those leagues under any circumstances and there will be no transfers. This would be in the nature of a gentlemen's agreement, or boycott.

That sounds all right, but what can Ban do in the face of the agreement which he, himself, signed? Ban might get the support of the five clubs which stuck to him in the recent troubles, but he will find New York, Chicago and Boston lined up against him. They would join forces with the National League rather than agree to the violation of an honorable agreement. While they realize that the present situation is destructive to the finances of many league clubs and is even worse for the ambitious baseball player, they cannot repudiate a contract. It wouldn't look good in the eyes of the public.

Judge Landis will have to find a way out of the situation. It has got to be done with the agreement of the minor leagues. There will be no fight between Ban and Judge Landis. If there is Ban will be licked. That's one fight you can go and bet on.

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CARPENTIER-BECKETT LONDON BOUT PLANNED

LONDON, Nov. 15.—Negotiations are proceeding for a bout between Joe Beckett, the British heavyweight champion, and Georges Carpentier, the French heavyweight, to take place in London early in the new year. The arrangements are still in a tentative stage, neither the date nor the place in which the fight will be staged having been decided upon.

Shaw Winner at Billiards. Charles Shaw defeated Louis Basso, by a score of 160 to 85 in last night's game of the snooker billiard tournament at Jack Doyle's Academy. In the English billiard tournament Charles Shepherd won over H. Hall, 20 to 141. The winner had a high break of 32.

FOOTBALL AND HOW TO WATCH IT

BY PERCY D. HAUGHTON NINE YEARS COACH AT HARVARD

Determination, Co-operation and Courage Are Taught as Essential to Success in Football—Change in Rules Helped to Uplift Game.

Football, of necessity, is a rough and strenuous game; of necessity because as long as sturdy, eager, striving youths come into direct bodily contact, more or less bumps and bruises and even serious injuries are bound to result.

President Lowell of Harvard says of the game in his 1921 report: "Although the severity of the injuries suffered, and especially the danger to life, have been materially diminished by the changes in the rules made a dozen years ago, football remains a rough and strenuous sport in which injuries are often received that impair the efficiency of the players for a couple of weeks or more."

Why then do the authorities of universities tolerate this sport, and parents permit their sons to participate?

The many reasons lying behind the answer to this question fall into two natural classes: first, the advantages which are peculiar to this sport, and second, the steady progress which has been made in recent years toward minimizing the dangers and eliminating the evils of the game.

As to the latter too much cannot be said of the untiring efforts of the Rules Committee. This committee has legislated intelligently toward a definite goal—the elimination from the field of play of tactics and practices which all too frequently lead to serious injuries.

This is seen in the limitation put upon the use of hands and in the barring of pushing and pulling, clipping, piling on, tripping, hurdling, roughing the kicker or passer, etc.

These practices often led in the heat of contest to abuse and displays of brutality which besides producing injuries harmed the reputation of the game.

It has become generally recognized that contestants can make their supreme effort without transgressing rules of gentlemanly conduct and without necessarily regarding their opponents as contemptuous enemies.

At the same time, there has been a tremendous improvement in the medical and physical handling of the players. The vital necessity of always having at hand a competent medical adviser has been recognized.

WHAT THE COACH MUST BE. So much for the reduction of the evil causes of criticism and complaint.

What, then, are the advantages—mental, physical and moral—which overcome objections arising from the possibility of serious injury? First, it must be remembered that football is almost exclusively an intercollegiate and intercollegiate sport. The men who best know and teach football are college men, and for this reason are far better educated than the average coach in other sports.

In most cases they are also business or professional men, and quite frequently members of the faculty of a school or college.

Furthermore, the character of the game itself requires that the instructor possess more than average intellectuality.

When analyzed, football is nothing more than a somewhat complicated game of human chess. It is a contest of science requiring not only a ready familiarity with the mathematical principles involved, but an ability at the same time to execute physically the necessary manoeuvres when the players are under the greatest possible tension and pressure.

Thus the individual must be taught to think as well as to act, and to do both at high speed, with a consciousness that full responsibility for thinking is placed upon him by thousands of spectators. Not only this, but he must be taught to repeat this operation time after time when his mind is groggy, his body weary and his whole being in revolt.

His self-power must dominate him. One man lacks the mental culture, another the physical power or speed; another having both is unable to coordinate the two; still another fails under the nervous tension.

Few realize how many men are deficient in the power to "carry on" when physical exhaustion sets in, or to use a homely but apt expression, how many are lacking in "guts."

It is the problem of the coach to

NEW GOLF RECORD FOR SIWANYOY SET BY TOM KERRIGAN

Tommy Kerrigan, golf professional at the Siwanoy Country Club, Bronxville, who ran third to Jack Hutchinson and Roger Wethered in the British open championship a year ago, yesterday established a new record for his home course. Playing in a threesome with Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Thomson, the latter one of the low handicap players in the women's association, Tommy negotiated the course in 66—32 out and 34 in. This figure clipped the old course record, held jointly by himself and Johnny Farrell, Quaker Ridge pro, by a single stroke, and was five strokes under par.

overcome these failings. Upon his ability to do so depends his success. It is therefore small wonder that the successful coach must himself have a good intellect, a strong personality, and a thorough understanding of human nature. Constant association with such a man cannot fail to be beneficial to the average undergraduate.

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